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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Scott Miller, Cocke
County Deputy Sheriff.

WHEREAS, on October 11, 1994, Cocke County Deputy Sheriff Scott Miller heroically
laid down his life in the performance of his sacred duty to protect the public safety and welfare;
and

WHEREAS, Deputy Miller courageously sacrificed his life protecting his fellow citizens
while he and several other officers attempted to apprehend two escaped state prison inmates;
and

WHEREAS, Deputy Miller was undoubtedly one of the best and brightest police officers
that the Cocke County Sheriff's Department, and indeed the entire state of Tennessee, has ever
produced; and

WHEREAS, a five-year veteran of the sheriff's department, Deputy Miller was a
perfectionist in his quest for excellence as a police officer, and he performed each of his
assigned duties with the utmost industry, integrity, acumen and alacrity; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Tunney Moore has said of him: "Cocke County was a better place
and a safer place when Deputy Miller wore his uniform. Cocke County will always be indebted
to him, for his life was taken to make your life...safer"; and

WHEREAS, truly an excellent police officer and a fine gentleman, Deputy Miller leaves behind a legacy that will not diminish with the passage of time, but rather will serve as a vivid reminder of his meritorious service to the public safety, and the great credit he reflected upon the vital profession he loved; and

WHEREAS, as a testament to this young man's life of purpose and commitment, an estimated 1,000 police officers from across Tennessee attended his funeral; and

WHEREAS, although Scott Miller's death can only be described as a tragedy, it is also inspiring that he spent the last moments of his life performing the job he cherished as part of his essential self; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby pause to honor the memory of Deputy Scott Miller, reflecting fondly upon his consummate professionalism as a peace officer and his ultimate act of heroism to protect us all.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our most heartfelt sympathy and condolences to his family, friends and fellow police officers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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